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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the December 9, 2005 Office Action setting forth an election/restriction requirement in the above-identified application. Applicants have petitioned concurrently herewith to extend the period for responding to the Office Action for one (1) month, from January 9, 2006 up to and including February 9, 2006 and have authorized the Commissioner to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0725 the applicable fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1). Consequently, this reply is timely submitted.

REMARKS